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Docket No.: 2038-230

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Examiner: M. Kidwell

Art Unit: 3761

CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Date: June 13, 2003

Transmitted herewith under 37 CFR §1.53(d) is a request for filing a ☒ Continuation or ☐ Divisional continued prosecution application of prior pending Application No. 09/458,077, filed December 10, 1999,

For (Title): DISPOSABLE BODY FLUIDS ABSORBENT ARTICLE

(Amended Title): _____

By (Inventors): Nariaki SHIMOE; Yoshinori KUMASAKA; Yasushi INOUE; Toshifumi OTSUBO;

1. ☐ Please enter in the present application the Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.116 with any attachments filed on ____ in said prior application, which was not entered therein.
2. ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is forthcoming. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the prior application.
3. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application (37 CFR §1.53(d)(4)).
 - a. ☐ Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application:

 - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
5. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed, along with Form PTO-1449 and ____ references.

The filing fee is calculated below:

(1) FOR:	(2) NO. FILED	(3) NO. EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS 37 C.F.R. §1.16(c) or (j))	18 - 20 *	= 0	× \$ 18.00 =	\$.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS 37 C.F.R. §1.16(b) or (i))	1 - 3 **	= 0	× \$ 84.00 =	\$.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. §1.16(d))			+ \$ 280.00 =	\$.00
BASIC FEE (37 C.F.R. §1.16)			+ \$ 750.00 =	\$.00
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* Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent. ** Reissue independent claims over original patent.			TOTAL =	\$ 750.00
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6. ☐ Small entity status: Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1337.
8. ☐ A check in the amount of \$___ is enclosed.
9. ☒ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
10. ☐ Applicant(s) request(s) suspension of action under 37 CFR §1.103(b) for a period of ___ month(s) (not to exceed 3 months) and the fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) is enclosed.
11. ☐ New Attorney Docket Number, if desired ___. (Prior application Attorney Docket Number will carry over to this CPA unless a new Attorney Docket Number has been provided herein.)
12. a. ☐ Receipt For Facsimile Transmitted CPA (PTO/SB/29A)
b. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (Should be specifically itemized, See MPEP 503)
13. ☒ Other: The undersigned respectfully requests the Examiner to contact to schedule an interview in this application.

14. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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Respectfully submitted,

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